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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

above-identif	ied application	ation.				
1. Subm	nission req	uired under 37 C.F.R.	§1.114			
	Previou	sly submitted	1 27 C F R	81.116 previously		
filed on	. (Any un	Consider the amendment(s)	ent(s)/reply under 37 C.I. A referred to above will be e	under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously above will be entered).		
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		Other:				
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Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

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Other: Appendix A, Associate Power of Attorney and 2 Executed Declarations Under 37 C.F.R. §1.63.

2. Miscellaneous

	Suspension of action	on on the above-identified application is requested under 37
C.F.R. §1.103	B(c) for a period of	months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed three
(3) months; F	ee under 37 C.F.R. §	1.17(i) required)

FEE CALCULATION:

			SMALL ENTITY		NOT SMALL ENTITY		
UTILITY APPLICATIONS BASE FEE				\$370.00	\$	\$740.00	\$740
	REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST PAID FOR	EXTRA				
TOTAL CLAIMS	14	37 (20 MINIMUM)	0	\$9 EACH	\$	\$18 EACH	\$0
INDEP. CLAIMS	6	16 (3 MINIMUM)	0	\$42 EACH	\$	\$84 EACH	\$0
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT				\$140	\$	\$290	\$
☐ ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME				\$55	\$	\$110	\$
☐ TWO MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME				\$200	\$	\$400	\$
☑ THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME				\$460	\$	\$920	\$920
☐ FOUR MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME				\$720	\$	\$1440	\$
☐ FIVE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME				\$980	\$	\$1960	\$
☐ LESS ANY EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID				minus	(\$)	minus	(\$)
☐ TERMINAL DISCLAIMER				\$55	\$	\$110	\$
TOTAL FEE DUE							\$1,660

A check in the amount of \$1,660 is enclosed.

Petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of April 11, 2001 to and through October 11, 2001 comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of three months.

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The Commissioner is hereby requested to grant an extension of time for the appropriate length of time, should one be necessary, in connection with this filing or any future filing submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application during the pendency of this application. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any fees related to any such extension of time to deposit account 23-3050. This sheet is provided in duplicate.

Any additional patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.136 and 1.17.

SHOULD ANY DEFICIENCIES APPEAR with respect to this application, including deficiencies in payment of fees, missing parts of the application or otherwise, the United States Patent and Trademark Office is respectfully requested to promptly notify the undersigned.

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